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For: **METHODS OF MAKING SLIDE ZIPPERED RECLOSABLE PACKAGES
ON HORIZONTAL FORM-FILL-SEAL MACHINES**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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S I R:

Prior to any action in the above captioned case, kindly amend the application as
follows:

In the specification:

Page 1, line 6, after Title of the Invention, please insert the following: --**CROSS
REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS.** This is a division of U.S. Patent
Application serial number 09/316,866 filed on May 21, 1999.--

In the claims:

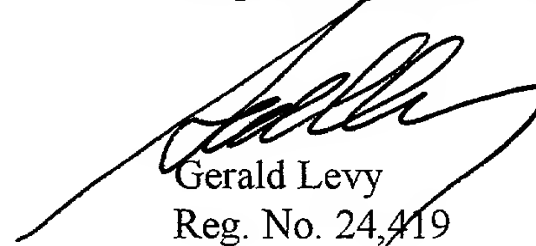
Cancel claims 1 – 27.

Remarks

The present amendment is being submitted herewith to cancel all of the claims of the
parent case, except for claims 28 – 33 for prosecution in the divisional application filed herewith.

An early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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